



Bow Tie

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Director's Notes

The 37th Middle West Meet is history and what a show it was. Our congratulations and thanks go out to everybody that helped to bring this together.

It is my understanding that the Andrew Chevrolet Show was also a success despite some competition of other shows nearby that are new to the car show circuit. Final tally was 100 vehicles registered! Our member help appeared to be down a bit this year but those that came filled in the gaps. Thank you to one and all that assisted with this event.

The month of July brings us to our parades. We once again have the Brookfield 4th of July Parade and Sussex Lions Daze. If you have not already signed up, come join in one. The more the merrier.

Your director, *John Horvath*

JULY 4TH PARADE

We will once again be participating in the Brookfield July 4th parade. Line-up is behind Brookfield Central High School at 9:00 a.m. with the parade beginning at 10:00 a.m. Enter off of Gebhardt from Pilgrim Parkway. We are once again unit #5 marked by yellow flags. This is a very short parade so please show support for your Club and come out and join us!

Sussex Lions Daze Parade

July 13th – The Sussex Lions are looking for us to supply ten vehicles for their parade. This is an in-and-out event so you can use the rest of your Saturday afternoon as you see fit. This parade helps out Sussex and gives us the opportunity to get together. If you have not already been contacted by Bob or JoAnn, give them a call if you can attend. Line-up is at Main Street and Kneiske Dr. by the NAPA store at 9:00 a.m. with the parade to start at 10:00 a.m.



We Serve

37th Middle West Meet – It's a wrap

Marilyn and Ron, Darlene and Tom, and Poor Bob and I, just can't thank everyone that helped at the Meet enough! Thank you for helping deal with things that came up before the Meet and during the Meet. There were many things that were in our control but there were things that weren't in our control. Everyone just seemed to know what needed to be done and just did it. It couldn't have run more smoothly.

Bob and I had planned to stay on Saturday night along with our daughter and Granddaughter, Maddy. When we got there on Saturday we were surprised to find other out of state guests already there. The trailer parking had been marked by the hotel as well as the Swap area. Sunday arrived and members were there to help set up the Registration Room and get the Raffle items set up. The Northern Illinois Group was all ready to help Charlie with the Field Entrance and we were off and running. Barb and her committee had samples of the Ladies Day items made for display. Many vehicles were put thru field entrance on Sunday, which helped for Monday and Tuesday. Gene put out signs for the different areas.

Monday there was a large group ready for the Madison trip. Someone talked to Gary's son, Eric, who said that Gary had his sons working for two months to get everything ready for our visit. I think about 90 people went thru his shop. During the day the ladies were busy with crafts with Barb, Janet, Darlene, Kathy Jones, and Patty. The ladies loved it and thought it was a great idea. During the day I was asked by Rick from the hotel if we would consider moving the Taste of Italy to the upstairs restaurant. I said no because we had entertainment. Our "FAB THREE" were a hit! Everyone loved the "Oldie Wed Game". Someone came up afterwards and asked for the questions so they could do it for something they were involved in. Thanks to everyone who helped make Sunday and Monday a success.

Tuesday we were off to the Observatory. People commented that they had never seen anything like

this. There was a delay between the 1st and 2nd group because of an accident almost where we had to cross the highway. Thank goodness it didn't involve anyone in our group and we were On the Road Again. The menu at the dealership changed which we were unaware of and we had a nice gathering of about 180 people. I'm sure the dealership was happy we came. I think they sold a pickup and also the Faux 1953 Vette. It was then back to the hotel for the Costume Judging. Janet was attending her first Meet, but was happy to do the Costume Judging. Mary was a judge for the first time. Everything went just great.

The buses were on time for the Cruise on Lake Geneva. As our bus pulled into the Marina it was a perfect picture with calm water and sail boats – a perfect night for our Cruise. People were happy to have the lifesavers, and glad they didn't have to use them. Our thanks go to everyone that made Tuesday a day to remember for our guests.

Wednesday was judging day and a little concern for the weather. Not to worry, like I said at the Banquet, I was sure that Bill Ferguson, Bob Lemminger, Romie and Roy had the weather under control.

The Ladies Luncheon Committee was ready to spring into action and view the site (which they were pretty sure the site wouldn't change again). Ralph was actually able to see the back seat of his car for a few hours. The Hunt Club was beautiful. The food was wonderful. The Treasure Chest sold out of keys in about 15 minutes. The commemorative book marks were awesome and the beach theme decorations and door prizes were a very nice touch. Now the entertainment – bear in mind that NO ONE had ever heard them before so another limb Jane and Mary trusted us on. I think everyone in the audience could have listened to them for another hour. There was a room change for the Directors Meeting so we got complimentary cookies, brownies, and coffee. Thanks to all those that helped with the weather and judged the cars, and Jane and Mary and their committee for all they did to make the Ladies Luncheon a huge success.

Thursday was the plaque tour arranged by Gene and Ralph. Just to add to the excitement (without checking with Gene and Ralph first) someone removed a bridge. But all the guys rallied and the tour was great.

Then the long awaited Awards Banquet. While everyone was touring a group stayed back to help setup the table decorations and move all the wonderful raffle items downstairs to the Aspen Room. The group we were sharing the rooms with all week left at 5:00 and we watched the banquet crew orchestrate the removal of all their items and move in 26 banquet tables, set them, move in chairs and put on the centerpieces. Lastly, the trophies were all arranged. At 7:00, the doors opened and the guests never knew what happened behind the closed doors.

A huge thanks to Tom Gawronski for getting the PowerPoint all set up for the awards. Thanks to everyone who helped take photos during the week. Dave Denmark did a great job on the trophies (Dave maybe you should think about doing decorative welding all the time. Ha-ha) Congratulations to all the winners! Wisconsin Region was well represented with trophies.

We want to thank everyone who helped with the planning, all the things you just did that I'm sure we were unaware of. We couldn't have had such a successful meet without you, your help and your ideas.

I especially want to thank the Ohm's, Griepentrog's and Poor Bob for trusting some of my crazy ideas and all their support.

We have received wonderful emails, phone calls, cards. I also heard that the Chevy Chat Room was saying how great it was.

JoAnn

GOINGS ON

July 6

The Drifters Classic Car Club
125th & Loomis Road - Muskego

July 11 - 14

Iola

July 14

South Shore Frolics
2900 South Shore Drive

July 28

Donges Bay Club 15th Annual
7520 West Donges Bay Rd - Mequon

August 3 - 4

Madison Classics Elkhorn

August 4

Unique Classic Car Club
AMF Bowlero 111737 West Burleigh Street

Check this out!

John Romppainen shares with us this link to a YouTube video on how Chevrolet worked on streamlining its 1936 cars. Click on the link for those receiving this via email.

[1936 Jam Handy video for Chevrolet on streamlining](#)

For those receiving this via the US Postal service, type this into your Internet browser:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tsvkSmtFDzs>

SUNSHINE

We were sorry to hear that Bob Hensel was in the hospital. We hope by the time this information reaches everybody that Bob is back home and feeling better.



We also wanted to let you know that Tom Gawronski's mother passed away recently.

You are invited!!

Just a reminder about our upcoming Tri Tour September 6 – 8. We have finalized plans that include some touring, a collection of older vehicles, some history about PAN automobiles and the St Cloud area at the Stearns County Historical Society, lunch, a visit to Munsinger-Clemens Gardens along the Mississippi, and finally an evening at Roger & Mary James to view their collections and have an evening meal. We will be having grilled pork chops on Saturday evening. Please note on your form if this is not okay. We need to know the number attending prior to August 5th. The cost will be \$50 each covering two meals, admission to the museum, and snacks and beverages Friday and Saturday evening. Please send information prior to that date. Hope to see you there!

Please return this form with your names, number attending and check for \$50 each made payable to Viking Region by August 5th to:

Mary James
1620 60th Street NE
Buffalo MN 55313

Name(s) _____

Number attending _____ X \$50 = _____

Tri-Region Tour SEPTEMBER 6-8, 2013 MONTICELLO, MN

Best Western Chelsea Inn & Suites

\$90.83/night

89 Chelsea Rd
Monticello MN
763-271-8880

Ask for VCCA or Chevy Club
Reservations must be made by **July 28th**

Please do so as soon as possible

VIKING REGION TRI-TOUR ITENERARY

Friday

- Travel Day – if you are coming through the Twin Cities, on I-94, come prior to 3:00 p.m. or after 6:00 p.m. This is a busy route 'to the lake' so I-94 is busy on Friday nights.
- List of restaurants available upon arrival.
- Social in parking lot or lobby

Saturday

8:30 AM	Leave hotel for St Cloud
10:00 AM	Arrive at Bernick Collection
11:00 AM	Leave for Stearns County Historical Society
	Tour Museum and have lunch
1:00 PM	Leave for Munsinger-Clemens Gardens
2:00 PM	Leave for Monticello
3:00 PM	Arrive back at hotel
4:00 PM	Leave hotel for Roger & Mary's
5:30 PM	Supper
7:00 PM	Gab Session at James' or Hotel

Sunday

- Travel Day

Bergstrom Help

Due to the change in date we had for this show earlier this year to move it up one week, I will not be able to assist. Therefore I am calling on our membership to ensure that we have ample support for this show on August 18th. Please come out to support your Club.

Tom Gawronski

Marriage Rights

The ideal married couple never, ever fights; they just calmly talk things over to find out why she's right!

WI Region VCCA Calendar of Events

July	4	4 th of July Parade	Brookfield
July	13	Sussex Lions Daze Parade	Sussex
August	18	Bergstrom Classic Show	Milwaukee
August	25	Annual Picnic – Rotary Park Area #1	Menomonee Falls
September	6-8	Annual Tri – Tour (sponsored by the Viking Region)	St. Cloud/Monticello
October	20	Meeting and Nominations	McKinley Lodge
November	17	Meeting and Election & Chili Dump	McKinley Lodge
December	8	Christmas Party	McKinley Lodge
January	?	Annual Banquet - Charcoal Grill	New Berlin



All indoor meetings are held at McKinley Lodge. McKinley Lodge is located less than one (1) mile north of Capitol Drive on Pilgrim Road. Meetings are held at 1:30 p.m. typically on the third Sunday during October, November, December, February, March and April.

July Birthdays

- 3rd Chuck Zahnow
 4th Rita Lemminger
 17th Terry Zimmerlee
 23rd Mary Cornell
 30th Charlie Hanson



The deadline for the August Bow Tie will be July 26th.

Please send any information you have for this issue by then.

Thank you! Your Bow Tie Editors

WORDS TO LIVE BY

Eat more foods that grow on plants, and eat less food that is manufactured.

Make peace with your past so it won't spoil the present.

Frame every so-called disaster with these words 'In five years, will this matter?'